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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor(s) : BARBERIS et al.
Serial No. : To Be Assigned
Filed : Herewith
For : A METHOD OF FABRICATING A ZIRCONIUM
ALLOY FLAT PRODUCT, A PRODUCT AS
OBTAINED THEREBY, AND A FUEL ASSEMBLY
ELEMENT FOR A POWER STATION NUCLEAR
REACTOR MADE FROM SAID FLAT PRODUCT

Examiner : To Be Assigned
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND
37 C.F.R. § 1.125 SUBSTITUTE SPECIFICATION STATEMENT**

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Kindly amend the above-captioned application before
examination, as set forth below.

IN THE SPECIFICATION AND ABSTRACT:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(3), a Substitute Specification (including the Abstract, but without claims) accompanies this response. It is respectfully requested that the Substitute Specification (including Abstract) be entered to replace the Specification of record.

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